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## Today's Weather

It will be cold, with high and medium clouds and a chance of light local rain showers. Winds will be northeasterly fresh.

	Overnight	Daytime
Amman	Low 3	High 12
Agaba	7	19
Deserts	2	11
Jordan Valley	8	18

## Israeli raiders hit southern Lebanon

**BEIRUT, Dec. 19 (Agencies) — Three Syrians and five anti-Israeli commandos were reported killed when Israeli**

**troops and helicopters, backed by a rocket and artillery barrage, thrust into South Lebanon early today.**

A Syrian military spokesman in Damascus said three Syrian soldiers were killed and two wounded near the southern village of Rihan where a Syrian unit came under artillery attack.

Christian allies, the militiamen led by renegade Lebanese army Major Saad Haddad, continued "to make noise" with their artillery from hilltop positions five kilometres away for several hours.

A United Nations spokesman said a Norwegian soldier from U.N. peacekeeping forces in Lebanon was seriously wounded.

(In Tel Aviv, an Israeli military spokesman said one Israeli died and three were wounded in the raid.)

U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim expressed deep concern today over incidents in southern Lebanon during the past 48 hours and appealed to all concerned to "desist from actions which inevitably lead to violent reactions."

U.N. sources said much of the shelling during the Israeli raid came from territory controlled by Israeli-backed Lebanese right-wing militiamen.

The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) news agency Wafa said 17 Israelis were killed or wounded in battles with Palestinian and Lebanese leftist forces around three villages about 15 kilometres north of the Israeli border.

The attack coincided with controversy about the role of a 6,000-strong U.N. peacekeeping force in South Lebanon (UNIFIL). The official U.N. spokesman in Beirut criticised UNIFIL's performance.

Official Palestinian casualties were four wounded, but residents in the battle zone said five members of the Palestinian-Lebanese leftist forces also died.

Spokesman Samir Sanbar said there might have been dereliction of duty by some members of UNIFIL who allowed armed men to infiltrate U.N. lines on Wednesday night and blow up houses in several villages.

An Israeli military spokesman said the attackers marched 13 kilometres over mountainous terrain to hit the Palestinian targets and were evacuated by helicopter gunships after they destroyed commando bunkers, mortar emplacements, ammunition, communication trenches and tents.

Mr. Sanbar said three people were killed and four wounded in that attack from territory controlled by Israeli-backed Lebanese right-wing militiamen.

The spokesman said the raid was part of Israel's "preventive measures to foil terrorist activity" from South Lebanon.

"Defending Lebanese villages and villagers in its zone of operations is the minimum expected from the U.N. forces," Mr. Sanbar said.

Commandos, the spokesman said, fired Soviet-made Katyusha rockets at Israel's upper Galilee area after the raid, causing no danger or casualties. The PLO communique made no mention of Katyusha attacks, however.

Today's Israeli attack was outside the UNIFIL sector. Palestinian sources estimated the attacking force at about 500 men and said Israeli casualties were evacuated by helicopter under cover of a heavy rocket and artillery barrage. Wafa said several Israeli vehicles were destroyed.

"The Israelis came over the hill, firing heavy cannons and heavy machine guns. They never used such heavy weapons here before," said Abu Adnan, the 22-year-old commander of the commandos based in Jarmak, a terraced village of shell-pocked houses whose last civilian inhabitants fled two months ago after another Israeli raid here.

A Reuters correspondent in South Lebanon said the Israeli troops blew up about five houses during the attack. Several buildings in the village of Aishieh, including the church, were damaged by shells.

Abu Adnan, a Turkish-born Palestinian who identified himself only by his military code-name, said the attack on Jarmak lasted only half an hour before the Israelis withdrew.

Lebanese Foreign Minister Fuad Boutros announced he would make a formal complaint to the U.N. Security Council about the Israeli raid, which followed renewal of UNIFIL's mandate by the U.N. on Wednesday.

"We fired antitank rockets at them, and anti-personnel rockets, too," he said. Demonstrating how the foot-long rockets fit atop his automatic rifle, "They never touched us."

Today's Israeli attack was the 20th raid on Lebanese targets this year and came only 24 hours after attacks on five other villages.

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The Israelis said yesterday's raids were the work of Maj. Haddad's militia, but the Lebanese government and the PLO charged that the attack was carried out by 200 Israeli soldiers who blew up 12 houses in five villages and killed three Lebanese civilians.



The marks of his long bout with bad health are evident on the face of the late Alexei Kosygin in this photo, taken at a February election meeting. (AP wirephoto)

## Kosygin dies of heart attack

**MOSCOW, Dec. 19 (AP) — Alexei N. Kosygin, who resigned from the Soviet premiership in October after 16 years as head of the government, died last night of a heart attack, Soviet and diplomatic sources reported today.**

There was no public announcement of the death, but western diplomats said they had been informed of it by Soviet officials. Other Soviet sources also confirmed the death to reporters, and said the 76-year-old Mr. Kosygin died of a heart attack. Mr. Kosygin had been reported in critical condition for the past several months at a clinic near Moscow. He suffered from heart and circulatory problems, sources said, and hadn't been seen in public since the closing of the Moscow Olympics Aug. 3.

Sources said the ex-premier, whose resignation Oct. 23 was officially attributed to health reasons, would be given a state funeral, possibly in Red Square.

Some Soviet leaders, such as former premier Nikita Khrushchev, have been buried, while the ashes of others have been placed in the Kremlin wall after their funerals.

Mr. Kosygin succeeded Mr. Khrushchev as premier in 1964, and was replaced himself as premier by Mr. Nikolai Tikhonov, 75.

The Foreign Ministry made no announcement today about Mr. Kosygin. After the ousted and disgraced Mr. Khrushchev died in 1971, no official announcement was made for three days.

In Peking, the official news agency reported Mr. Kosygin's death in a two-paragraph dispatch without comment.

(Kosygin obituary on page 8)

## U.S. gets 'final reply' on hostages from Iran

**WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP) — The U.S. State Department today received Iran's "final reply" for ending the hostage crisis but virtually ruled out hope the 52 Americans would be homeward bound before Christmas.**

Department spokesman John Tattner refused to characterise the Iranian response. Nonetheless, he strongly suggested that a breakthrough is not imminent, referring to the indirect negotiations with Iran as a "difficult, complicated, time-consuming process."

He then said the United States is pursuing the possibility of Christmas Day visits to the hostages by clergymen in Tehran.

Asked whether this meant no breakthrough was anticipated before Christmas, Mr. Tattner told reporters, "That is the implication you could draw from that."

The Iranian reply was transmitted through the Algerian embassy here this morning after a White House breakfast meeting on Iran in which President Jimmy Carter, Secretary of State Edmund Muskie and other top officials took part.

Earlier, an Iranian government spokesman in Tehran was quoted as saying that the United States, to win the release of the captives, must deposit "the gold and the confiscated wealth" of Iran with the Algerian central bank and offer good-will guarantees about the return of the fortune of the late Shah.

Iranian assets have been frozen rather than confiscated in the United States.

It was not immediately clear whether the comments by Mr. Behzad Nabavi, a cabinet-level official in Iran, represented demands which exceed what the Carter administration is willing to fulfil.

Mr. Tattner would not say whether the formal reply was consistent with Mr. Nabavi's statements. He said only that the reply "presents issues of substance as well as questions of procedure which will require consideration."

He added that the administration, consistent with long-standing policy, would refrain from "projecting feelings of optimism or pessimism."

The reply was received against a background of statements in recent days by Iranian Prime Minister Mohammad Ali Rajai that a negotiated settlement might be possible before Christmas.

Mr. Tattner would not say why that suggestion was not realistic. He said he would not preclude an American response to the Iranian message.

It also was not certain whether a team of Algerian intermediaries who left Tehran today would come to Washington to clarify the Iranian response. Mr. Tattner said he did not know what the Algerians' travel plans were.



Prince Saud Al Faisal, the Saudi Arabian foreign minister, meets Friday in Rome with his Italian counterpart, Emilio Colombo. Prince Saud is said to be working on a joint Saudi-Common Market effort to end the Iraq-Iran war. The prince is to meet President Sandro Pertini and Prime Minister Arnaldo Forlani on Saturday. (AP wirephoto)



Israeli soldiers leave a helicopter transport Friday morning after their latest night raid on southern Lebanon. (AP wirephoto)

## Quake kills 26 in Iran

**TEHRAN, Dec. 19 (AP) — An earthquake struck the city of Qom and several other places today, killing 26 people and causing considerable damage, Iranian radio said.**

Massoumeh, sister of Imam Riza, a leading Shi'ite saint who lived in the 9th century. The shrine has been a pilgrimage site for devout Shi'ites since the 17th century.

The radio said the tomb of Imam Zadeh Abdullah, another Shi'ite saint buried in Qom, also suffered damage as "emergency and rescue operations" were staged in the city and neighbouring villages.

On the war front, Iran claimed its forces killed 160 Iraqi troops and captured 25 today in clashes mainly on the western front away from the southern oil province of Khuzestan.

Iran's warplanes struck at its northwestern region, killing six persons and wounding nine. A communique broadcast by Baghdad Radio said three Iranian jet fighters were shot down by Iraqi anti-aircraft defences and in dogfights.

The claims came at the end of a day marked by silence by both sides on the progress of their 89-day-old war along the rain-soaked common border.

Iranian President Abol Hassan Bani-Sadr was reported by the official Iranian news agency Pars to be in session with the Supreme Defence Council reviewing the war situation with Iraq following his return from an inspection tour of the southern front.

The meeting of the council, which oversees the conduct of the war, was the second in less than a week. Mr. Bani-Sadr and his political rival, Prime Minister Mohammad Ali Rajai, toured the front last weekend separately.

## Hussein receives Klibi

**AMMAN, Dec. 19 (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein received at the Palace this evening the Arab League secretary general, Klibi, who briefed His Majesty on the results of his trip to Arab states with the aim of cleansing the Arab atmosphere. They also discussed the consolidation of the foundations of solidarity in light of last month's Arab summit conference in Algeria.**

The meeting was attended by Prime Minister Mudar Badran, chief of the Royal Court, Mr. Ahmad Al Lawzi, and Foreign Minister Marwan Al Qasem.

Klibi arrived in Amman from Beirut this evening and was met at the airport by Mr. Qasem.

## Peres said to promise coming for 3 exiles

**UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 19 (R) — Israeli Labour Party leader Shimon Peres has promised to allow three Palestinian officials from the occupied West Bank to return if the party wins the election in Israel, one of the officials said here today.**

Fahd Qawasani of Hebron said Mr. Peres made the promise in a meeting with the Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO) and "Abu Adnan," mukhtar of the Wihdat refugee camp in Amman. Mr. Khalaf arrived in Amman Thursday night from Houston, Texas, where he was treated for injuries he suffered in a June 3 car-bomb attack in Ramallah, on the Israeli-occupied West Bank. He has received an artificial limb to replace his left foot, which was blown off in the blast; he also had extensive surgery on his right leg, which was badly mangled in the attack, and can now walk with the aid of crutches.

Mr. Khalaf is staying in Amman for a week before returning to his municipal duties in Ramallah. He will return to Houston in five months' time for further treatment. While here, Mr. Khalaf paid tribute to His Majesty King Hussein and Jordanian officials for their care and interest in his progress. (Staff photo by Yousef Al 'Allan.)

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## Labour rejects Golan annexation after Peres wins

**TEL AVIV, Dec. 19 (Agencies) — Israel's Labour Party, buoyed by Mr. Shimon Peres' leadership election, today hampered out new foreign policy guidelines to the hard-line programme of Prime Minister Menachem Begin.**

The Labour convention today approved policies empowering a future Labour government to withdraw from large sections of the West Bank, retaining only land considered vital for Israel's security.

Mr. Peres said in a press conference yesterday that a Labour government would call on His Majesty King Hussein to join the peace process. "I have many reasons, some which can be told but others which are secret, to believe he would answer such a call," he said.

King Hussein has repeatedly stressed (most recently in an interview with Al Watan Al Arabi—see page 2) his conviction that only the Palestine Liberation Organisation can negotiate on behalf of the Palestinian people and that the Camp David peace process is a dead letter.

The convention today also authorised Labour leaders to negotiate with Palestinians both inside and outside the occupied territories to solve the Palestinian problem.

Labour party hawks opposed this provision, saying that it com-

mitted Israel to take responsibility for solving the Palestinian issue. But they were heavily defeated.

Labour also proposed a new division of occupied Jerusalem that would allow Arabs to run their own neighbourhoods under a borough system. This is the brainchild of Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, a Labour Party member.

Party sources said that Mr. Peres would appoint former chief of staff Chaim Bar Lev as defence minister. The Foreign Ministry would go to Mr. Abba Eban, who held it for many years during the

past two decades.

The sources said Labour would aim for an absolute Knesset majority so that it would not have to share power with any other party. Coalitions have ruled Israel since it was founded in 1948.

Profile of Mr. Peres

On his way to the top, Mr. Shimon Peres has been dogged by an image of slipperiness, a reputation as a renegade and a back ground that lacks the chapter of military combat service so vital to Israeli political hopes.

Mr. Peres immigrated parentless from Poland to Palestine at the age of 11. As a teenager, he ran messages on a motorcycle for his mentor and political godfather, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first prime minister.

After spending time on a kibbutz and heading the national socialist youth movement, Mr. Peres took charge of purchasing arms for the Haganati, the Zionist underground movement fighting for Israeli independence. He was just 24.

Mr. Peres went on to lay the foundation of Israel's own arms

industry while developing close ties with the French arms establishment.

At 30 he was director of the Defence Ministry, and later was deputy defence minister. In 1965 came his first political crisis.

Mr. Ben-Gurion quarrelled with the Labour Party and broke away to form his own faction, Mr. Peres joined Labour. Mr. Peres later rejoined the Labour mainstream, but Labour diehards, especially Mrs. Golda Meir, would never forgive him for splitting the party.

He made his first challenge for the party leadership in 1974 but lost narrowly to Mr. Rabin.

In 1976 he made his second challenge and again was beaten by a whisker. A few weeks later, Mr. Rabin was forced to resign after it was revealed that his wife, Leah, had an illegal foreign bank account. Mr. Peres found himself at the head of the party on the eve of a general election.

The election was a disaster for Labour. After 29 years in power, it crashed to defeat and Mr. Begin's right-wing government entered office.

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# Jordan 'of the Arabs and for the Arabs,' King

Camp David

AMMAN, Dec. 19 (JT) — His Majesty King Hussein has declared that Jordan is "of the Arabs and for the Arabs," and that its destiny and its honour lie in waging "all the battles of the Arab Nation in defence of its character," and in working for "the future of its generations," Jordan having always been on the longest line of confrontation with Zionism.

In an interview with the Paris-based Arabic magazine *Al Watan Al Arabi*, King Hussein said Jordan is "for Palestine and its people" and for the "central cause" of the Arabs, namely the Palestinian cause. Jordan would maintain this position until the Palestinian people regained their rights, King Hussein affirmed.

## The Amman Summit

"The Amman summit conference," King Hussein said, "was the most successful Arab conference I have attended since I had the honour of representing Jordan in several meetings at this level, starting with the 1956 conference which in Lebanon during the tripartite aggression against Arab Egypt."

"The Amman summit was the most successful because it dealt with matters which needed attention," the King said. "It was devoted to Palestine and to supporting real steadfastness in the occupied areas, in order to confront the occupation and its aggressive practices against the kinsmen and brothers there, where our children and brothers are confronting the occupation forces with clubs and stones. They have held out and are still holding out, despite all these practices and intrusion on the most basic of human rights -- about which we hear a great deal about in this world."

On the atmosphere of the summit, King Hussein said it was "brotherly. The brother leaders were able to hold several meetings in an atmosphere of confidence, brotherhood and loyalty to the Arab Nation and its national causes. They were also able to discuss matters with one another frankly. The result was a commitment, a pledge and a declaration of loyalty to joint Arab action in order to safeguard the future and to defend the rights of the Arab generations. The summit also discussed many issues and problems, and the brothers who did not attend the summit participated in a great many of the conference's resolutions."

"As for Lebanon," the King said, "we were greatly pained that it did not participate in this meeting, because Lebanon has a cause. We feel that the Lebanese issue should have been tackled previously. But it seems that there are factors and circumstances which prevented Lebanon from participating in this meeting."

King Hussein pointed out that the Amman summit was held under the auspices of the Arab League, in implementation of a resolution at the Tunis summit. Therefore, it was different from the Baghdad summit, which was held at Iraq's invitation to deal with the predicament resulting from the Camp David agreements, he said.

In answer to a question, King Hussein said: "The Amman summit did not adopt any secret resolutions. But naturally not everything was announced in detail. There were discussions, and views were identical on several issues. We also reviewed all the problems whether in the area or in the world -- in terms how to deal with the world we are living in."

Asked about the upcoming Islamic summit, King Hussein said: "I will be honoured to represent my country at the Islamic summit in holy Mecca in Saudi Arabia."

## Hebron landowner refuses \$100,000 offer from Israelis

TEL AVIV, Dec. 19 (AP) — A Palestinian in the occupied West Bank has refused to accept more than \$100,000 compensation for buildings destroyed by authorities in the wake of an ambush in Hebron last May in which six Israelis were killed.

"It's not a matter of money," Mr. Muhammad Omar Al Harbawi said today in a telephone interview. He said the military government refused to allow him to rebuild three structures opposite the old Hadassah building in Hebron.

Ambushers fired on the settlers from the roof of one of the buildings. Authorities bulldozed the buildings the following morning.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin ordered that Mr. Harbawi be compensated for the buildings because his family had saved Jews during riots in Hebron in 1929 which most of the town's Jewish community was wiped out.

"We didn't know there would be a day when our land and buildings would be taken," Mr. Harbawi told the Associated Press. "They want to give the money because of what we did in 1929."

A military government source said that the emergency regulations under which the buildings were destroyed forbid returning the land to Mr. Harbawi.

The sources said 750,000 Israeli shekels (\$107,000) were deposited in a Hebron bank account in Mr. Harbawi's name.

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In interview with Paris magazine



## Meeting with Reagan

Asked whether a date had been fixed for his meeting with U.S. President-elect Ronald Reagan and whether at that meeting he would speak on behalf of a group of Arab officials, King Hussein replied: "The only thing that has happened is that President-elect Reagan has expressed his desire to meet with me soon after he assumes office as president of the United States. Naturally, I welcome this. But no date has been fixed for this meeting, and we have not discussed with the new U.S. administration any political questions or anything else. But I go to the United States. I will speak about my country and on bilateral relations. As I have always done, I will defend the position of my nation, its causes and rights as much as I can."

King Hussein expressed the hope that the new U.S. administration would not be held captive to the policies and positions adopted in the past, and which, he said, were "futile for this part of the world and perhaps for other parts of the world as well." He said he hoped that the new administration would give itself the opportunity to review these policies and positions before adopting new ones of its own.

## U.S. military chief arrives in Amman

AMMAN, Dec. 19 (JT) — The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the United States, Gen. David C. Jones, arrived in Amman this evening for a visit to last until Dec. 22, at the invitation of Lt. Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, commander-in-chief of the Jordanian armed forces.

Gen. Jones, the highest ranking uniformed American officer, will meet with senior Jordanian counterparts to discuss matters of mutual interest. As chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Jones serves as military adviser to the president of the United States and to the secretary of defence. This will be Gen. Jones' second visit to Jordan; he was last here in early 1979.

Gen. Jones was met at the airport by Sharif Zaid, the armed forces chief of staff, several high-ranking officials of the Armed Forces General Command, and U.S. Ambassador Nicholas V. Velonis and embassy staff members.

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Asked about the Camp David process, King Hussein said that the Camp David process is "finished without success, except in taking Egypt out of the Arab fold."

"We are deeply pained at this," he said. "The present U.S. administration admits that it has given far previous administrations combined have done so."

The King added: "In my opinion, the Camp finished after failing to achieve anything in the way just and durable peace in this part of the world. Our attempts to revive Camp David can lead to absolute results."

Asked if he envisaged a particular way to resolve the East crisis, the King said: "There is no specific vision, my position has been constant and clear since namely that the Palestinians should exercise the right to a just and durable peace in this area, the legitimate representative -- the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). Furthermore, the Palestinian people should full rights on their national soil, and choose what atmosphere of freedom after the elimination of these are the bases upon which peace in this part of build, and I cannot find any other alternative."

## The Jordanian option

Asked about the so-called "Jordanian option" affirmed that there was no such thing. He said: "Jordan to perform its duty and its role in supporting the kinsmen and brothers in Palestine in regaining the soil of the Palestinian homeland, in Arab Jerusalem occupied territories."

"As for overall Palestinian rights, ever since the Jordan has recognised the PLO as the sole, legitimate representative of the Palestinian people; it has upheld this position deviated from it. We believe that the Palestinians should major element in any solution of the Palestinian help them and cooperate with them. This is a duty, replace them."

Asked about the extent of cooperation between Iraq, King Hussein said: "Cooperation will continue. This is actually taking place every day. This cooperation is the conscience of every Arab, and is dictated by a sense of the present and the future, and the upholding of the fathers and forefathers, the martyrs and free Arabs homeland. Jordanian-Iraqi cooperation is characterised by honesty, sincerity and honesty."

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## WHAT'S GOING ON

### Exhibitions

The Department of Culture and Arts, in cooperation with the Embassy of the German Democratic Republic, presents an exhibition of posters at the Art Gallery of the Ministry of Culture and Youth in Jerusalem.

The Spanish Cultural Centre presents an exhibition of Spanish poetry and etchings, at the University of Jordan Library. Works on display include translations of Arabic sonnets from Spain.

Under the patronage of Her Highness Princess Alia, The Jordan National Gallery presents an exhibition of paintings by Suhail Al-Hajj. The opening ceremony is at 4 p.m. at the gallery.

### Film

The Jordan National Cultural Centre presents the third film in its Gerard Philipe film festival, "Le Rouge et le Noir", at 7:30 p.m. at the Jordan National Cultural Centre.

### 1980 Chess tournament

The Royal Chess Club invites all chess players and those interested in chess to visit the club, to watch and take part in open chess tournaments which will be held weekly and continue until the end of this year.

Location: Fourth Circle, Jabal Amman; tel. 44713

### Christmas Services

The Church of the Redeemer (C of E/Anglican/Episcopal) will hold the following special services:

Monday, Dec. 21, 12 noon: Carol and Gift Service

Tuesday, Dec. 24, 11:30 p.m.: Midnight Communion

Wednesday, Dec. 25, 11 a.m.: Morning Prayer/Holy Communion

Thursday, Dec. 28, 12 noon: Family Service

The church is located in the First Circle area of Jabal Amman, near the Abiyah Girls School (CMS), beyond China Restaurant

### Church Services

The Amman International Church (international and inter-denominational) holds worship services each Sunday at 6 p.m. The church school for adults and children is at 5 p.m. Nursery provided. The church meets for worship at the Baptist School in Amman. For information, contact the Rev. Philip de Jonge, tel. 44032

The Amman International Church (international and inter-denominational) will hold the following special services: Thursday, Dec. 23, 6 p.m.: Family Christmas Celebration; Thursday, Dec. 25, 10 a.m.: Christmas Worship Service; Wednesday, Dec. 31, 11 p.m.: New Year's Eve Watch Night Service

For information, please contact the Rev. Philip de Jonge, tel. 44032

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# Jordan Weekly Calendar

(Week of Dec. 20 - 26)

## FILMS

**DAY, Dec. 23:** The Goethe Institute presents "Made in Germany and USA" (1974), a black and white film about a young couple with a three-year-old child who take unpleasant support themselves. The frustration they experience at adds to tension in their personal relations. Although they do middle-class ways of thinking, both succumb to the ination of roles as determined by society. The man flies off York — alone. The woman borrows money bit by bit and er him. The show will start at 8 p.m. (in German with sub-titles)

**DAY, Dec. 20 and SUNDAY, Dec. 21:** The Gerard e film festival continues with "Le Rouge et le Noir" a colour film based on Stendhal's novel which reflects nt of Gerard Philippe and Daniele Darrieux. The three- in will start at 7:30 p.m. at the French Cultural Centre. L with Arabic sub-titles)

## EXHIBITIONS

**NUING:** The French Cultural Centre presents a documen- bition commemorating the 10th anniversary of the death Charles de Gaulle. The exhibition, which will remain the public until Dec. 22, comprises exhibits of photo- documents and books.

e Department of Culture and Arts, in cooperation with the y of the German Democratic Republic, presents an exhibi- posters. The exhibition will continue until Dec. 24, at the lery of the Ministry of Culture and Youth in Shmeisani.

**DAY, Dec. 22:** The Soviet Cultural Centre presents a entary exhibition about the Soviet Socialist Republic of the ie. This exhibition commemorates the 63rd anniversary of ublic's joining the Soviet Union. It will open to the public m. at the centre in Jabal Amman.

**SDAY, Dec. 25:** The Department of Culture and Arts

presents an exhibition of paintings and flower arrangement by Ibrahim Arar. The show is the first of its kind in Jordan; in it the artist has used natural materials. The exhibition will take place at the Goethe Institute in Jabal Amman.

## POETRY READING

**SUNDAY, Dec. 21:** The Jordanian Writers' Association presents an evening of poetry at the association premises. Poets Ahmad Abo Arqub and Mohammad Dumrah will take part, under the chairmanship of novelist Mahmoud Shuqair.

## CHESS TOURNAMENT

The Royal Chess Club invites all chess players and enthusiasts to visit the club, to watch and take part in open games that are taking place as part of its 1980 tournament until the end of the year. The games will be held on **SATURDAY, Dec. 20, MONDAY, Dec. 22, WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, and THURSDAY, Dec. 25.**

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The Church of the Redeemer (C. of E/Anglican /Episcopal) will hold the following special services:

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# A well-founded confidence in design

By Meg Abu Hamdan  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, Dec. 19 — The industri- ous Majda Al Qasir held her third fashion show in a year last night at the Holiday Inn in honour of Her Highness Princess Wijdan Ali, and to a large and enthusiastic audience. The show was a play- able success. Miss Qasir emerging as a designer with confidence in her own tastes and original styles.

Having found that style, she sticks to it; in jerseys and in satins, in evening wear and leisure wear and that kind of conviction is to be highly commended.

The 22-year-old Miss Qasir spent three years studying mod- elling and fashion design in Italy, and returned last year to stage her first fashion show in cooperation with a number of Amman bouti- ques. Even then, clothes were dif- ferent and individual in com- parison with the other, more stan- dard fashions.

Miss Qasir's first solo show, held around the Holiday Inn swimming pool, has been con- siderably improved upon in every aspect in this, her second solo show. The former seemed rushed and badly prepared, while this show had the stamp of pro- fessionalism.

The compere was quiet and unassuming, letting the audience make up their own minds about the collection; and the music was in harmony with the mood of the clothes — changing style and tempo to suit the various designs. The models moved well, covering up little mistakes with smiles and panache.

Typical of Miss Qasir's style are

high necklines: frills, often tiny, at cuffs, collars and hems; and tight pencil skirts that narrow down to implausibly small diameters. Best of all are her dazzling fabrics — all bought here in Amman.

**Jumper dresses, suits and track suits** in brightly coloured light- weight knits comprise Miss Qasir's leisure wear, a whole outfit being made up in the same material and completed by matching scarves and berets. Her daywear, in black-and-white check worsteds, consists of neat little suits which have knee-length tight skirts, loose jackets buttoned up to a high collar and toning tie neck blouses. The changes are rung by adding a plain skirt to a checked jacket or vice versa. Cerise, rust and purple

are the designer's choice of col- ours for her fine wool dresses, which are often gathered in with elastic at waist, neck and hem.

Miss Qasir's evening wear is made up in a selection of stunning fabrics, most of which twinkled and sparkled in the brights lights of the catwalk, either subtly — as in the case of the white satin suit with its gold thread diamond check — or with showbiz glamour, as in the sequinned tubes and plain gold and silver tight-fitting suits.

To the strains of "Black Magic Woman", some sumptuous black velvet gowns were modelled; in one, a black tuffeta frill spiralled its way downwards in diminishing circles, finally making up the hem. In another, black chiffon with a

gold star decoration was added in a long see-through frill at the bot- tom.

Influences from the 1950s and twenties can be seen in many of the designs; the former appearing in the sweetheart necklines and gathered waists, from which drop large frills, and the latter in the low hip-hugging waistlines dropping vertically from boat necks.

Miss Qasir, who has no per- manent shop, sells the clothes after her shows for around JD 40-80; prices not unreasonable for original designs in rich fabrics. Her shows are improving, and judging from the impressive size of the audience, this kind of enter- tainment is very popular here in Amman.

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## JORDAN TIMES Middle East Monitor

## Arabs move to take the reins in use of their money

By Hussein Dakrouh

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following analysis of the growing shift in Arab investment patterns is reprinted from Saudi Business magazine, Dec. 19.

ARABS ARE WAKING UP sharply to the fact that the fortune earned by oil is slipping from their hands as more and more of their money is invested in foreign lands. They are discovering the irony and the sadness in the enormous flow of capital to non-Arab banks and ventures.

The money is badly needed at home. The realisation has been slow in dawning, but it is common now to hear calls from Arab economists for economic integration along the lines of the European Economic Community. They cite common history, religion, geography, language, and traditions as the basis for uniting the Arab people. But more importantly, they point to the socio-economics of Arab countries as a foundation for unity.

Partly because investors want quick profits and partly because of a lack of security for investments in some Arab countries, a large portion of Arab money flows mainly to the United States, Europe and Japan, and little goes to the Arab countries which badly need it.

The pessimists cite bureaucracy and political instability in some Arab countries as two main reasons why Arab capital is driven away from home. The optimists say that there are active Arab investments in Arab countries in the form of private investments and investment funds, and projects being implemented by Arab capital as is the case in Tunisia, Sudan, Jordan and Egypt.

But while the debate rages, Arab countries are giving more attention to this crucial matter. The most recent proof of the Arab leaders' increasing concern over the investment of their capital at home, and their desire for an integrated plan to translate hope into reality, came out of last month's Amman summit. The Arab summit adopted a joint economic

action strategy aimed at economic integration, and also approved a plan to encourage more investment of oil money in the Arab World instead of abroad.

Obviously, the Amman summit has come up with some basic remedies to deal with the regrettable situation. "The Unified Arab Agreement for Investing Arab Capital within Arab Countries," was one of several major economic documents approved by the summit. The agreement allows the free movement of Arab capital within the Arab World, and encourages and facilitates investment of the capital in accordance with economic development programmes of the member states. The host state undertakes to protect the investor and guarantees his investments, returns and rights.

The agreement also calls for forming an Arab organisation for guaranteeing investments through insurance and for setting up an Arab Investment Court made up of at least five judges, with permanent headquarters at the Arab League. The task of the court will be to consider disputes that may arise among member states.

The agreement gives the Arab investor several privileges, facilities and guarantees, the most important of which is the freedom to invest in any region of a member state, freedom to transfer and re-transfer Arab capital without being subjected to any discriminatory, legal or administrative, banking restrictions, or to taxes or duties on transfers. It also affirmed that the invested Arab capital is not subject to any special or general, temporary or permanent, measures regardless of their legal formulation which may expose the returns of capital to complete or partial confiscation, arbitrary seizure, expropriation, nationalisation, liquidation, usurpation or wasting of the secrets of technical property or sample

rights.

Under the agreement, the investor and his family are entitled to enter, reside, move in and leave the host country freely. The accord encourages investment in projects important for the future of pan-Arab economic development, or those which lead to larger Arab control of the used technology and administration and create job opportunities for the citizens of the host state.

Finally, the agreement obliges the Arab investor to coordinate with the host state and respect its laws and regulations, and holds him responsible if he fails to do so in accordance with the agreement's articles.

The Arab League Economic Council, which is charged with interpreting the text of the agreement and proposing amendments to rules, regulations and measures relating to investments in the member states, will monitor the implementation of the agreement.

Commenting on the agreement, Dr. Abdul Hussein Zalzalah, the Arab League's assistant secretary general for economic affairs, said: "We regard this as a step to Arab economic citizenship." In essence, Dr. Zalzalah explained, the agreement calls for "economic citizenship such that all Arab investors will be treated as local citizens (or better)." And it will "allow all Arab capital to be transferred freely within the Arab World," he said.

"We are taking quite objective and serious steps toward helping develop our economies. And all help in building the lines toward economic unity," Dr. Zalzalah added. He said that the agreement is one of three axes in the Arab League's strategy for economic cooperation. The second is the development of an Arab capital market and the third is the creation of a central Arab League office to promote projects. Dr. Zalzalah said the agreement could help pave the way to narrowing the "development gap" between the different groups of Arab countries. "With the monetary chaos in the whole world, security of deposits is not good. There is no

safer place than having your money invested in real projects," he said.

Another development showing the Arabs' concern about the investment of Arab capital came in October from Tunisia, which hosted a seminar on Arab investments in the Arab World.

The seminar brought together representatives and officials from several Arab investment and financial institutions such as the Saudi Development Fund, the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development, the Abu Dhabi Fund for Economic and Social Development, the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development, the Kuwait Investment Company for Real Estate and the Arab Petroleum Investment Corporation (APICORP). Dr. Ali Attiga, secretary general of the Organisation of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC), also participated in the debates.

The gathering studied the prospects for channelling Arab investment money into Arab states and the problems facing Arab investors in the Arab World. Bureaucracy, Arab laws, taxation rules and political instability were cited as obstacles.

The speakers at the seminar underlined the need for developing an infrastructure in Arab countries to encourage more investments. Tunisian Prime Minister Mohammad Mazali noted that Arab investment involves economic, political and cultural aspects. "Before everything else, it is our duty as businessmen and freedom fighters to give consideration to the strong relation that links the economy to politics and civilisation," he told the seminar. "In addition, every available means ought to be employed in the service of principles and objectives."

A Saudi participant, Mr. Mohammad Said Tayeb, general manager of the Arab publishing company Thama, described the Tunis seminar as successful. "The participants left Tunis fully convinced of the need for encouraging Arab investments in the Arab World," he said. "The Arab homeland has a more legitimate

right for the money of its sons," Mr. Tayeb went on. "Is it in the interest of Arabs that an Arab country, facing a lack of money to implement its development projects, is left to look for foreign capital and, consequently submit to severe lending conditions?" Mr. Tayeb stressed that Arab money must be invested in the Arab World and "this goal should be second to none."

Explaining why Arab banks have played a relatively small part in meeting the borrowing demands of their own economies, a Kuwaiti bank manager said recently: "The Arab countries in need of funds are those with balance of payments deficits and hence prudence calls for limiting the financing of projects to those that are likely to yield a commercial return."

Arab economic integration has long formed a cornerstone of the pan-Arab ideal. But recent Arab history has seen a number of ambitious attempts at economic and political unity fail:

— The unity plan between North and South Yemen has been postponed until "more appropriate circumstances are created."

— The unity plan in 1978 between Syria and Iraq collapsed.

— The recently proposed merger plan between Syria and Libya is still encountering difficulties and whether it will come off remains to be seen.

— Libya's previous attempts at unity with Egypt, Sudan, Tunisia and Algeria failed.

In the past, one of the charges most frequently levelled against the Arab countries was that they let others manage their money. If that was true once, the situation is different now. There are many encouraging signs that Arabs are now assuming responsibility for handling their huge oil revenues.

One commendable sign in recent years has been the efforts made by the Arabs to channel a part of their financial resources to needy Arab countries. This has come in the form of official grants,



November Arab Summit in Amman: Economic decisions had to be made

and in serious efforts that have been made to increase official lending to support development projects and to relieve foreign exchange difficulties.

The Arabs have also adopted measures aimed at encouraging bilateral financial cooperation. These seek to help development funds and banks, such as the Saudi Development Fund and the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development. They also include government-to-government loans. Other measures that have been introduced have aimed at boosting multilateral financial cooperation. These include the formation of two major multilateral Arab institutions: the Arab Monetary Fund and the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development.

Added to these is the setting up of the Arab Investment Company and efforts to create an Arab unit of account. Other steps have aimed at boosting Gulf economic cooperation. These measures also include the OAPEC-sponsored Arab Petroleum Investment Corporation, the Arab Maritime Petroleum Transport Company, the Arab Mining Company and the Arab Company for Livestock Development.

Last month, the directors of nine Arab development funds met in Kuwait to coordinate Arab investment policies. The meeting studied the establishment of a basis for cooperation on financing and lending policies, official sources said.

The Arab Investment Company (AIC), the first pan-Arab merchant bank, has financed the Kenana sugar project in Sudan and is helping to finance a similar project in Somalia. Founded in 1974, the AIC seeks to participate in the equity of Arab and pan-Arab projects and to lend money on a commercial basis to Arab development projects. The company has done remarkably well, according to Mr. Abdul Rahman Al Sai, the AIC's director general. Profits in 1979 were \$17 million, up nearly 90 per cent from the 1978 figure of \$9 million.

Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states have embarked on serious moves to coordinate their economic activities. The Saudi Arabian minister of industry and electricity, Dr. Ghazi Algosabi, said recently the economic integration plan of the Gulf states is proceeding satisfactorily and the economic policy of the governments of the region

aims to diversify income and red on oil.

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## Japan-Egypt talks end

CAIRO: Japanese Foreign Minister Masayoshi Ito left here Friday for Tokyo after a four-day visit to Egypt during which he discussed Middle East developments and bilateral cooperation with President Anwar Sadat and other officials.

After talks on Thursday between Mr. Ito and Egyptian Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali, an Egyptian spokesman said Egypt would welcome Japan's recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, while a Japanese official said "recognition is subject to various interpretations."

A senior Egyptian foreign ministry official, who attended the two-and-a-half-hour meeting between the Japanese delegation headed by Mr. Ito and the Egyptian delegation under Mr. Ali, said Japan's recognition of the PLO would bring pressure to bear on both Israel and the United States, Egypt contends that the United States should pressure Israel to be more flexible in the stalled Palestinian autonomy talks.

Asked about that, Mr. Ryohi Murata, general director of the bureau of Middle East and African affairs at the Japanese foreign ministry, told reporters: "Recognition is subject to various interpretations." He would not elaborate.

Mr. Murata added that the PLO already had an office in Tokyo. He explained that while the invitation to PLO leader Yasser Arafat to visit Japan was not extended by the government, Japanese officials would "most probably" be meeting with him should he accept.

The invitation to Mr. Arafat came from the Japanese-Palestinian Parliamentary Friendship League, a group that represents all the political parties in Japan.

Mr. Murata, the third man on the Japanese team, said his country was "making an effort to play a more positive role" towards "a complete and comprehensive settlement in the Middle East."

"There is full agreement (between Egypt and Japan) that there should be a comprehensive, just and peaceful solution that should guarantee the security, stability and rights of all the parties to the dispute," Mr. Murata said.

"There should be a just solution to the Palestinian problem in all its aspects, guaranteeing the Palestinian people their right to self-determination," he added. "and Minister Ito expressed his appreciation for the peace initiative of President (Anwar) Sadat as an important first step in the search for peace." (Agencies)

## Saudia buys Airbuses

PARIS: Airbus Industrie, the European plane-making consortium, has beaten the U.S. Boeing corporation for a contract with Saudi Arabia to which it is selling 11 airliners worth an estimated \$900 million, the consortium announced.

The aircraft going to Saudi Arabia are A300-B4-600 Airbuses, modified versions of the current wide-bodied A300 Airbus, designed to carry 262 passengers, the consortium said.

The state-run airline Saudia will receive its first airbuses in the spring of 1984. The planes will be used on Saudia's high-density domestic and regional network in the Middle East, Airbus Industrie said.

A total of 460 Airbuses have been ordered so far by 39 airlines, of which 316 are for the A300 and 144 for the smaller 200-seat A-310 version.

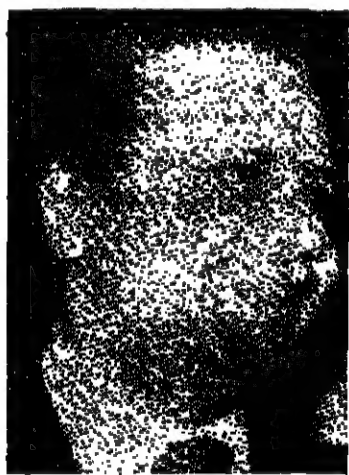
Egyptair, Beirut-based Middle East Airlines and Kuwait Airways also have bought Airbuses. But the new contract is a major breakthrough for the consortium in the Middle East as until now Saudia has flown only American-built airliners.

Airbus Industrie said Saudia had not yet chosen the engines for the planes. Britain's Rolls Royce engine-makers hopes to break into the Airbus market through the Saudia deal.

In Jeddah, a Saudi spokesman said with the delivery of the aircraft Saudia would end the lease on three Boeing-747 jumbo jets signed with Middle East Airlines in 1976.

Saudia has this year already ordered 10 Boeing-747s with six to be delivered in 1981 and the rest in 1982.

The Airbus sale will increase the number of Saudia's aircraft to 82. The company expects to carry about seven million passengers next year. (R)



Sheikh Yamani.

## Yamani: Soviet's target is oil fields

CANBERRA: Saudi Arabia's Oil Minister, Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani, said Thursday that the Soviet Union's target is the Middle East oil fields.

Sheikh Yamani told the National Press Club that Soviet military involvement in the Horn of Africa, Afghanistan and South Yemen showed what the Kremlin goal was.

"Their target is the oil fields, because sooner or later they will need the oil for themselves and for their satellites," he said.

Sheikh Yamani urged the United States to strengthen its allies in the Middle East to counter the Soviet thrust, but said the Pentagon should avoid establishing a military base in the area.

He said the Soviets could use such a base as justification to move into the Gulf area, and that would only bring "more heat to an area already inflamed."

He said that if the Soviet Union moved into the Gulf directly, World War III would erupt, and this would not be stopped by having a U.S. base in the region.

Sheikh Yamani arrived in Australia from Bali, Indonesia, where he attended the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) meeting that authorised OPEC members to raise prices about 10 per cent.

Sheikh Yamani said he did not expect any sharp increases in world oil prices in 1981. But there could be a rise of about 10 per cent in 1982.

He also said there was likely to be an OPEC pricing policy based on inflation and the rate of growth of gross national products in industrialised nations, which would lead to periodic increases on an annual basis. (AP).

## Kenya, Sudan decry Libyan role in Chad...

KHARTOUM: Kenya and Sudan jointly condemned Libya's military intervention in Chad Thursday, and the neighbouring East African countries announced support for the new government in Uganda.

Their positions appeared in a report covering the three-day visit here by Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi, who returned to Nairobi Thursday.

"The two sides express their deep worry at the flagrant foreign intervention that is taking place in the sister republic of Chad," the report said. It urged other African nations to "shoulder their responsibility... by working for the immediate withdrawal of the foreign troops."

Libyan forces joined the Chadian civil war in recent months, siding with acting president Goukouni Oueddei, whose units on Monday overran troops loyal to former defence minister Hissene Habre.



Sheikh Khalifah Ibn Sulman Bahraini urges better security

BAHRAIN: The Prime Minister of Bahrain, Sheikh Khalifah Ibn Sulman Al Khalifah said in an interview that greater efforts should be made to coordinate security in the Gulf.

He told the magazine Bahrain that present security measures were unsatisfactory.

"Through security in the Arab Gulf we also protect the eastern flank of the greater Arab homeland, because our region's security is part of the comprehensive Arab security," he said.

Regional security has become an important issue for the Gulf's Arab states since the Iranian revolution. Saudi Arabia said recently the states were studying draft agreements for bilateral security coordination. (R)

The fighting chased Mr. Habre from the capital, N'Djamena, but his militia is believed to still hold the eastern Chadian city of Abeche, near the Sudanese border some 640 kilometres from the capital.

The Kenyan-Sudanese report also called for Israel to withdraw immediately from the lands it captured from the Arabs in the 1967 Middle East war, and to give the territories to the Palestinians as a homeland. (AP)

## ...Zaire's Mobutu also disapproves

PARIS: President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire says the presence of Libyan forces in Chad was "a beginning to destabilisation in this area."

President Mobutu, on a private visit to Paris, told reporters after a meeting with President Valery Giscard d'Estaing: "In Europe, you condemn the occupation of Afghanistan by the Soviet Union. Then how can you accept Chad's occupation by Libya? This is the same thing."

President Mobutu said he had told Mr. Giscard d'Estaing that France should not have withdrawn, its forces from Chad and was partly to blame for the present situation.

France withdrew its forces last May at the request of Chad parties and African states, which met in Lagos in August 1979.

Another conference on Chad is due to start in Lagos next Tuesday and further discussions are expected when the number two in the Libyan foreign office, Mr. Ahmad Shabati, arrives in Paris next Monday. It was not yet known when he would be meeting. French officials said today. (R)

## Khomeini bans chess

TEHRAN: Iranian religious leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini has ruled that the game of chess is religiously prohibited, the newspaper Islamic Republic reported Thursday.

The revolutionary leader made the ruling in response to a query from the governor-general of Iran's Central Province. (R)

## Pope asks end to Gulf war

VATICAN CITY: Pope John Paul II Thursday urged Iraq and Iran to show readiness to negotiate an end to their three-month-old war.

"I earnestly hope that both sides in the conflict between Iraq and Iran will show real readiness to reach a negotiated settlement based on justice and mutual respect," the Pope told the new Iraqi ambassador to the Holy See, Mr. Anwar Sabri Abdul Razzak.

"Distinguished international statesmen are endeavouring to initiate such a negotiation," he added at a ceremony at which the ambassador presented his credentials. "I trust that they will be successful in their endeavours."

The Pope said he prayed that God would "prepare the hearts of all those involved in the conflict to accept the great blessing that is peace."

The Pope also told the Iraqi diplomat the Catholics in Iraq are "willing and prepared in every way to play their full part as citizens, since there is no contradiction between being a Christian and being a loyal member of one's own nation, whether one belongs to an Arab country or to any other country."

There are about 250,000 Christians in Iraq, out of a total population of nearly 12 million. (Agencies)

## Polisario frees fishes

MADRID: Thirty-six Spanish fishermen taken months ago on their trawlers by the Polisario Western rilla movement, returned to Madrid from Algeria early emotional reunion with their families.

More than a dozen wives and mothers of the fishermen needed medical care.

The fishermen were taken hostage in May and Sept year by the guerrilla movement fighting for independence former Spanish Sahara.

Before the release of the hostages, Spain and the Polisario agreed in Algeria by which the Madrid government its support of Polisario's demand for self-determination 240,000-square-kilometre mineral-rich Sabara.

In return, Polisario agreed to free the hostages, who patrol boats while fishing off the Saharan coast. The fishermen on arrival they had been treated well during in Algeria.

Although Spanish government officials said the agreement recognises Polisario as the government of the woun ran Arab Democratic Republic," Madrid newspaper that Polisario had been the winner in the negotiations.

## Algeria denies Gulf med

ABU DHABI: Algeria has denied press reports that it w between Iran and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) disputed Gulf islands.

"No Algerian officials has made any such statement paper," Algerian embassy spokesman Belkacem Bedou ers. "It's too sensitive a matter to talk about in the pr

A UAE newspaper Wednesday quoted the head of foreign ministry's political department, Mr. Ahmad A saying that Algeria had proposed the dispute should be prevent the Iran-Iraq conflict from spreading.

Arab sovereignty over the islands of Abu Musa, Greater Lesser Tunb is one of Iraq's demands in the war with Ir Shah of Iran seized the islands from the emirates of Shar Al Khaimah in 1971.

According to the newspaper Al Khaleef, Mr. Baghli sa accepted the Algerian plan through the speaker of the l liament, Hojatoleslam Hashemi Rafsanjani, during a re Algeria. (R)



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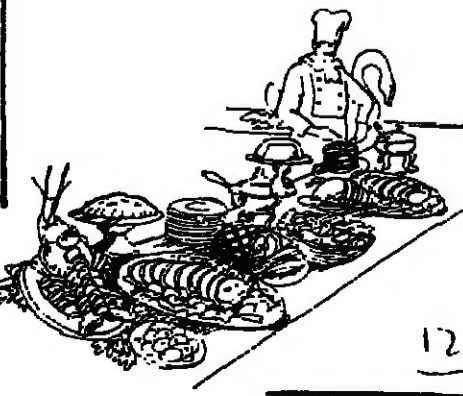
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## Mood is changing among government leaders

## The world gets ready for President Reagan

By Sidney Welland  
Senior Diplomatic Editor

LE still cautious, government leaders around the world are quickly coming to terms with Mr. Ronald Reagan.

They are sending signals voicing for close cooperation, revision of election judgments, building bridges to the president-elect and the incoming administration.

Just everywhere, the mood is changing, from nagging suspicion over Mr. Reagan's foreign policy to a simultaneous awareness that, like his predecessor, he will be president from 1981 — a month from now.

In Eastern Europe, senior officials are taking an upbeat stance — the positive. Even in the West, alarm over Mr. Reagan's foreign rhetoric has given way to a reappraisal of the political situation. Kremlin policy-makers are ready to give him a breathing space.

There is every reason to expect that U.S. actions will be more predictable, less uncertain than that of his predecessor. For that, we can be sure. French Foreign Minister Francois-Poncet has said that other NATO nations remained uneasy until the announcement about the prospects of Reagan presidency. Now, officials echo other westerners in expressing confidence that U.S.-European relations will be better.

## Honeymoon

There are strong signs that the honeymoon period every U.S. president enjoys domestically in the first months at the White House will be extended for Mr. Reagan to the foreign policy arena, while allies and adversaries assess his priorities.

Throughout Western Europe, leaders speak openly of their belief that he will provide vigorous leadership. Implicitly, they are a criticism of what many regard as a vacillating policy course under President Carter.

Emphasis on U.S. leadership and a closer Washington partnership conceals anxiety that a hard-line stand by Reagan towards the Soviet Union could divide the Western world.

For this, is a major cause for concern — a "stronger, more self-reliant America, which will thus



President-elect Ronald Reagan: world reaction is softening (Gamma photo)

be a stronger ally for us, must treat Europe as an equal partner," Mr. Francois-Poncet said.

West Germany's Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, deeply worried over faltering East-West détente, has met Mr. Reagan in Washington, the first foreign leader to be received by the president-elect.

After their talk, Mr. Schmidt said he felt confident and hopeful about future relations. Mr. Reagan shared Europe's interest in arms control, the chancellor told the Bonn parliament.

Mr. Schmidt earlier cited Mr. Reagan's declared readiness to work closely with the European

allies as "one of the reasons why we look ahead with expectation and confidence to his intended renewal of American leadership."

At the European Security Conference in Madrid, Soviet diplomats wandered the corridors seeking reassurance about Mr. Reagan's strategy. "After all, we got on well with Richard Nixon, a dedicated anti-communist," a Moscow delegate recalled.

President Leonid Brezhnev seemed to confirm the Kremlin's wait-and-see attitude. "Any constructive steps by the U.S. administration in the sphere of Soviet-American relations and

pressing world problems will meet with a positive reaction on our part," he said.

## SALT II

The key for Moscow will be how far Mr. Reagan takes his campaign pledge to renegotiate the SALT II nuclear arms treaty. Despite tough positions on both sides, diplomats in the Soviet capital expect a new round of arms talks.

In Venezuela, the newspaper *El Nacional* summed up a widespread undercurrent in many countries. "Reagan the president," it said, "might not be as bad as Reagan the candidate."

In Holland, a foreign ministry official observed: "We believe Mr. Reagan will be more predictable and hope he will be more effective in consulting America's European partners."

Europeans generally believe alliance unity will prove a critical test for Mr. Reagan. There are already serious differences over defence spending, and Europeans expect increased U.S. pressure for higher military budgets.

In Paris, Bonn and other capitals, officials believe the U.S. over-reacted to Soviet intervention in Afghanistan last December and that a continuing confrontation could wreck remaining hopes for détente.

"Atlantic differences should be confronted in an atmosphere of intelligent discussion, not fruitless acrimony," *The Times* of London commented. "There is now a common streak of nationalism in

all the western nations and it works against agreement in world affairs," *The New York Times* said.

## Defensive

Britain's Conservative government believes Mr. Reagan will respond to European concerns. "I think he will be a realistic influence," Lord Carrington, the foreign secretary, said. "He believes the way to keep the peace is by deterrence and by having the capacity to defend yourself. I do not think that is aggressive. I think it is defensive."

Mr. Francois-Poncet regards the top foreign policy advisers in the Reagan transition team as moderates. "There is reason to believe that relations between the U.S. and France will be satisfactory," he said.

In Rome, senior diplomats said they expected trouble over the Middle East between Mr. Reagan and the nine-nation European Common Market, which is seeking a direct mediatory role in the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Scandinavian newspapers have been hard on the Republican leader, and officials in Stockholm fear a tougher U.S. line towards the Third World. One expert, however, concluded that Mr. Reagan began "rather far out, but has since been moving towards a more centrist position."

In Eastern Europe, some government-controlled newspapers hinted obliquely that Mr. Reagan's foreign policy might

turn out to be less abrasive than expected.

"The last one was so bad that this one couldn't possibly be worse," a Portuguese minister commented. "But for God's sake, don't quote me," he added quickly.

## Middle East

Both Israel and Egypt remain uncertain — and concerned — over the future of the U.S.-sponsored Middle East peace process.

Most Arab states hope Mr. Reagan will downgrade the Camp David accords signed by Egypt and Israel under prodding from President Carter.

"I believe it is a suitable opportunity for the president and the new administration... to reconsider the affairs of the region and start a new page in its dealings with the Arab World," His Majesty King Hussein has said.

Farouk Kaddoumi, foreign policy spokesman for the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), described Mr. Reagan as the lesser of two evils. But he warned that Mr. Reagan's strong support for Israel could plunge the Middle East into another war.

In Peking, diplomats said any attempt by the new administration to restore official ties with Taiwan would lead to serious strains.

India is officially optimistic about future relations with the U.S., but privately officials said they questioned whether Mr. Reagan would be swayed by India's interests as a regional power.

"If we take the campaign rhetoric seriously, Indo-U.S. relations are going to sour," a New Delhi official said. "But everyone knows that campaign rhetoric and election platforms mean little in American politics. So we put on our best face, while keeping our fingers crossed."

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Mr. Reagan and his wife Nancy preparing for the transfer of power next month.



Arab leaders hope Mr. Reagan will drop the Camp David process; above, President Carter signs peace treaty with Egyptian and Israeli leaders.



Leonid Brezhnev: Wait and see



Jean Francois-Poncet: Less uncertain



Chancellor Schmidt calls on Mr. Reagan in Washington, the first European leader to meet the president-elect.



## U.S. account surplus

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP) — The United States' current account — the broadest measure of economic transactions abroad — registered a \$4.9 billion third-quarter surplus, the first time it's been in the black in a year, the government said yesterday.

The current account suffered deficits of \$2.4 billion in this year's second quarter, \$2.6 billion in the first quarter, and \$1.8 billion in the fourth quarter, the commerce department said. It boasted a \$1.1 billion surplus from July through September of last year.

This very broad indicator, which is seasonally adjusted, measures goods, services, foreign aid, loans to foreigners, the movement of U.S. gold and such payments as pensions to Americans who live abroad.

"A declining merchandise trade deficit and an increase in income from U.S. direct investment abroad were responsible for the shift to a surplus," the commerce department said in a statement.

The merchandise trade deficit declined to \$2.8 billion from \$7.3 billion in the third quarter, reflecting a large decrease in petroleum imports and an upsurge in agricultural exports, the department said.

Income on U.S. direct investment abroad stood at \$10.1 billion for the third quarter, compared

with an "unusually" low \$6.9 billion in the second quarter, the commerce department said.

This increase, however, was partly offset by a jump in payments of income on foreign investment in the United States, largely reflecting the sale of holdings of a Canadian-owned company, the department said.

The commerce department also reported that U.S. official reserve assets rose \$1.1 billion compared with a \$500 million decrease in the previous quarter. This reflected intervention purchases of German marks.

Banks reported a \$12.5 billion increase over the quarter in claims on U.S. private assets abroad, only a little more than half the \$21.1 billion rise registered in the second quarter.

Outflows of direct investment abroad increased to \$4.5 billion from \$2.9 billion.

U.S. purchases of foreign securities were \$800 million compared with \$1.2 billion in the second quarter.

Foreign official assets in the United States increased \$8 billion following a \$7.8 billion jump. This reflected continued accumulation of dollar assets by members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries and other developed nations.

## High cost of British policies

LONDON, Dec. 19 (AP) — The all-party House of Commons treasury committee yesterday produced a gloomy report on the state of the British economy.

It noted rising unemployment, falling industrial output, high government spending, no money supply out of control and inflation in danger of rising again next year.

Manufacturing output was 10 per cent lower in September than a year ago "and is now at a level not seen since the mid-1960s," the committee said. And treasury officials are forecasting a further four per cent fall in 1981.

"No comment of the committee is needed to emphasise the gravity of these figures," it said.

The panel, chaired by Edward DuCann, a member of the ruling Conservative Party, said a crucial factor in Britain's economic malaise is the high value of the pound sterling on foreign exchanges.

Britain's export competitiveness has declined 40 to 50 per cent since 1978, it said.

The committee suggested that the government was creating too many hardships in the short-term, in pursuit of long-range objectives.

## Morocco sets economic zone

RABAT, Dec. 19 (R) — Morocco has declared an exclusive economic zone of 200 miles from its coastline, officials said today.

Legislation passed by the Chamber of Representatives yesterday gives Morocco sole rights to fishing and mineral resources in the zone along the Atlantic and Mediterranean coastlines, including that of the former Spanish Western Sahara which it has annexed.

The new law states that Morocco has sovereign rights to explore, exploit and preserve natural biological and non-biological resources in the sea, on and beneath the seabed within the 200-mile limit.

## Yamani's warning

CANBERRA, Dec. 19 (R) — Saudi Oil Minister Ahmad Zaki Yamani said today he feared that a glut of oil when the Gulf war ended would weaken the drive to conserve fuel and seek alternative energy sources.

Sheikh Yamani, who is on a week's visit to Australia, told the National Press Club that after the war Iran and Iraq were likely to produce as much oil as they could to rebuild their economies.

He was concerned that consumers would act as they did after the 1973-4 oil crisis.

"Everybody will say now it's all right. We don't have to worry. We'll go back to our old habits, drive our automobiles as much as it pleases us, use as much energy in heating, cooling etc., as we need and forget about coal, nuclear and other sources of energy," he said.

He predicted there would be no sharp increases in oil prices next year and a rise of about 10 per cent in 1982.

But if the price of oil was allowed to drop in real terms there would be an increase in demand leading to a dramatic jump in prices.

## Iraqi oil flows through Turkey

ANKARA, Dec. 19 (R) — Exports of Iraqi oil through Turkey are back to normal after five days of low levels, Turkish oil industry sources said here today.

However, traders in London reported that exports through Iraq's only other outlet, a pipeline through Syria, had been halted, apparently by sabotage.

Renewed supplies of oil from Iraq in recent weeks have helped calm consumers' fears of a severe oil shortage, but the cut-off through Syria had raised some concern, the London traders added.

The Turkish sources said the flow through Turkey returned yesterday to a normal 600,000 barrels a day (b/d) about 85 per cent of the capacity of the pipeline.

The flow had dropped to a very low level after Dec. 12 although it was not completely interrupted.

There had been no official word from Iraq on the reasons for the reduction but Turkish officials were convinced by contacts with Iraq that the Iraqis were eager to keep the Turkish pipeline functioning normally, the sources said.

The pipeline runs from Kirkuk in northern Iraq, to the Turkish Mediterranean. Iraq was apparently concerned by routine and unprogrammed power cuts at the Turkish end of the pipeline, which hindered a steady flow of oil, the sources added.

Syrian officials said earlier this month that the capacity of its pipeline from Iraq was 500,000 b/d. Iraq said at the time it was exporting more than one million b/d but hoped to double this by the end of February.

Iraq's exports before the Gulf war were around three million b/d, the second highest the OPEC after Saudi Arabia.

The renewal of Iraqi exports together with increased production by some OPEC nations, particularly Saudi Arabia, did much to allay western fears of severe oil shortages over the next few months which would drive up prices.

But the traders in London said that with a very delicate balance between supply and demand, it was important for consumers that supplies from Iraq through Syria should continue, particularly since this pipeline appeared to have the greatest potential capacity.

It was unclear how long supplies through Syria might be interrupted, they added.

The traders said Iraqi and Syrian officials had announced that the cut-off was for technical reasons but quoted reliable sources in Baghdad as saying it was due to sabotage.

Although OPEC nations decided this week to raise the ceilings on official prices of their oil, the size of the increases they put into force may depend on market conditions, the traders said.

Prices on the free spot oil market, which acts as a guideline to OPEC countries in setting official prices, had remained static in recent weeks but lagging Iraqi exports could drive them up, the traders believed.

## Greece agrees with European ni

ATHENS, Dec. 19 (R) — Agreement between Greece and its future nine Common Market partners on farm prices has paved the way for the country's smooth accession to the community next month.

The agreement was reached last night after protracted negotiations which gave the Greek government a taste of EEC toughness but at the same time allowed the Greeks to show their mettle.

It is the adaptation by Greece of the EEC's complex administrative machinery that will be the major difficulty. According to diplomatic sources here, Greece is relatively well prepared to implement the essential issues of agriculture and trade.

The EEC has given breathing space until the end of 1981 for Greece to adjust its legislation to that of the community.

In line with EEC policy, the Bank of Greece, the country's central bank, last month set up an inter-bank foreign exchange market. It also introduced the Greek drachma, for the first time in 50 years, on the Paris Bourse where it now finds its real exchange value

against other world currencies.

However, there still seems to be insufficient knowledge by Greeks of what EEC admission means or its consequences. A recent opinion poll carried out on behalf of the European Economic Commission showed that 41 per cent of those questioned either had no definite opinion or chose not to answer.

The poll also showed that at least 21 per cent of Greeks were against entry. The remaining 38 per cent favoured accession and the poll showed these were mainly men, people over 40 and people with right-wing political views.

The random sample of 1,000 Greeks showed that those in favour believe entry will benefit tourism, trade, industry, the

democratic process,

military security, so

feared it could add agriculture and employment.

The government entry will consolidate democracy because country's economy that of the EEC, as may be deterred by expulsion from the

The country's two main parties, the Socialist Movement

Mr. Andreas Papandreu

Moscow line Greek Party (KKE), which

five per cent of the November 1977

against EEC membership

two parties now have 300 seats in parliament

## U.S. prime rate up a

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (R) — The U.S. prime lending rate rose to 21.5 per cent today as Citibank, the country's largest bank, added half a percentage point to the previous three days ago.

The prime rate banks charge their best corporate customers went to 21 per cent only on Tuesday, breaking a record set last April.

## LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, Dec. 19 (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at the close of trading on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets today.

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	6.0920 35
One ounce of gold	582.50 584.00

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## LONDON STOCK MAR

LONDON, Dec. 19 (R) — Government bonds for otherwise quiet market with the medium term stock a before the close, dealers said.

Government bonds were firm on news that local union leaders had accepted a pay offer of around 7 1/2 per cent. Long dated bonds rose by over a point and 1/2 per cent, they said. The government broker had sold at £100 million of the top stock during the day, they said.

Equity leaders were a shade firmer with the FT index at 467.0 at 1500.

Among industrials Johnson Matthey was a feature, 12p to 21p after the surprise announcement of a 4 rights issue, dealers said.

Elsewhere, leaders were a penny or two firmer. International, ICI, GFC and Beecham. Tube Investments down 4p at 188p against the trend.

BOC International was a firm feature, rising 5p continued buying after yesterday's better than expected dealers said.

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## YOUR DAILY Horoscope

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**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** The early morning brings kinds of new activities and interests that can help you in the progress you desire. Make sure you don't make mistakes in communicating with others.

**RIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)** Morning is best for handling responsibilities and to avoid unpleasant strife in the moon. Happiness can be yours.

**AURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)** Study your surroundings make long-range plans for improvement. Attend a social function in the evening.

**EMINI (May 21 to June 21)** You have work to do that gives special care, so be precise and gain added efforts. Be kind to loved one.

**MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21)** It may seem difficult to gain your aims early in the day but conditions bound to improve later.

**EO (July 22 to Aug. 21)** Good day to reach a fine understanding with your family and to keep any promises made. Engage in favorite hobby.

**IRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)** Morning is fine for handling routine chores, but be alert for possible danger in the moon. Cooperate more with others.

**IBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)** Use good judgment in the morning where finances are concerned, but later there are signs to be confusing conditions.

**CORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)** Showing others that you are a true friend will gain their added goodwill now. Don't let important business matters.

**AGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)** Know what your desires are and how best to attain them. Be more optimistic about the future.

**APRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20)** A good friend can be helpful to you today, so accept and get busy on projects. Aid the social in the evening.

**QUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19)** Delve into civic matters of importance and gain the assistance of loyal friends. Engage in hobby with congenials.

**ISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20)** Take a new approach on a matter that has been puzzling you a long time and you're it wisely. Be alert at all times.

**YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY** ... he or she will be able to get at the truth of any situation, so direct the caution along lines of investigation and there could be success during lifetime. Your progeny will be very different in sports and could be famous.

The Stars impel, they do not compel. "What you make our life is largely up to you!"

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Bangladesh downs Oman in Asian football

DAKKA, Dec. 19 (R) — Bangladesh defeated Oman 2-0 in the eighth match of the qualifying round of the 22nd Asian Youth football tournament at the Dakka stadium tonight.

The home side led 1-0 at half time.

Nepal meet Qatar tomorrow.

### Indian cricketers for 180 for 9 over Australia

SYDNEY, Dec. 19 (AP) — India were 180 for nine at the close of their innings in the Benson and Hedges World Series Cup one-day match against Australia at the Sydney cricket ground here yesterday.

### Tracy Austin on top in Tucson Open

TUCSON, Dec. 19 (AP) — Top-seeded Tracy Austin has little trouble in the \$100,000 Tucson Tennis Open this far.

Austin needed just 55 minutes to beat Anna Marie Fernandez 6-1, 6-2 in Tuesday's first round.

Wednesday night, Austin took 50 minutes to dispose of Roberta McCallum 6-1, 6-0 — losing a total of just 24 points during the entire second-round match.

Austin now advances to the quarterfinals, as does fourth-seeded Joanne Russell to beat Barbara Jordan 7-5, 5-2 in Wednesday night's other match.

In Wednesday afternoon action, unseeded Peanut Louie and Sandy Collins earned quarterfinal berths via upset victories. Louie eliminated third-seeded Mary Lou Piatek 6-4, 7-5 in a second round match, while Collins defeated Lea Antonopolis 6-2, 6-2.

Antonopolis had beaten second-seeded Terry Holladay 6-3, 6-4 Monday.

Louie's key to victory was a

tough, two-fisted backhand which wore down Piatek on long baseline rallies.

In other afternoon matches Wednesday, No. 9 seed Barbara Potter defeated Beth Norton 6-2, 6-3 in a first round match while sixth-seeded Wendy White beat Jeanne Duvall 6-7, 7-6, 6-2.



Tracy Austin



Ali threatens to call out the troops

LONDON, Dec. 19 (R) — Muhammad Ali has promised to lead a march on Washington if his boxing licence is withdrawn when he appears before the Nevada State Commission on Dec. 24.

"I am not allowed to fight John L. Gardner (Britain's European champion). I will call all my people and all my fans to march from Harlem to Manhattan and from the Washington ghettos to the capital," the former world heavyweight champion said.

Ali held court at a press conference in London yesterday with his usual mixture of fact and fantasy. He disclosed that Mickey Duff, Gardner's manager, had signed a contract for a fight between the pair.

The British boxing Board of Control has said it strongly opposes this contest, but it may not have legal grounds for forbidding it.

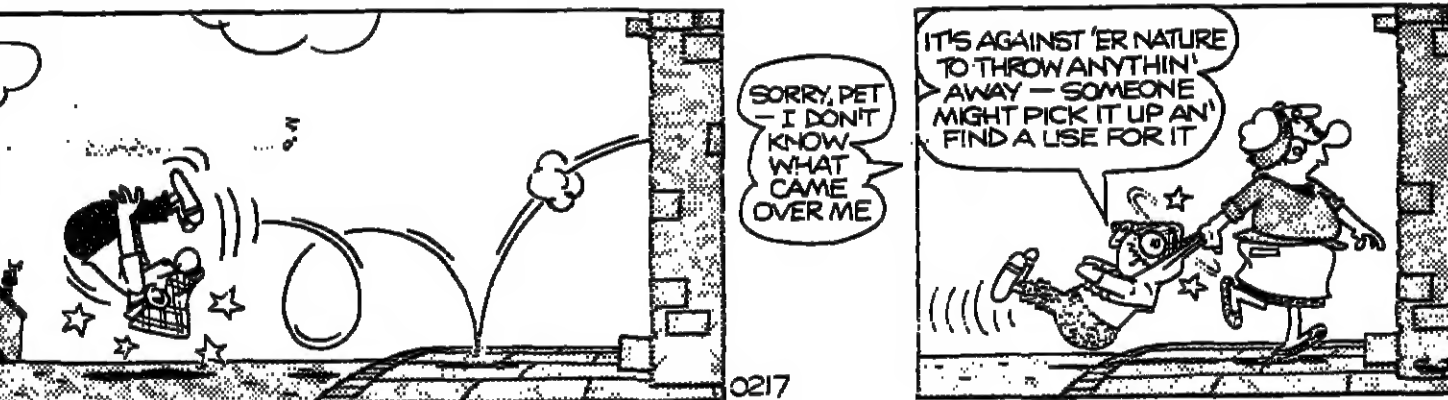
The Nevada commission, who license Ali, have called him to appear before them on Dec. 24 to present his case why he should not be retired following a dismal performance against Larry Holmes recently.

"If you judged all fighters on one performance, you would have to stop a whole lot of them from fighting," Ali said. "I had one bad night against Holmes because I had taken the wrong pills for a thyroid condition. Let me fight Gardner and I say that I will sign a paper that if I lose or look bad beating him I will get out of boxing."

### Peanuts



Andy Capp



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